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*Where will your
knowledge take you?*

**By reading this brochure, you've
taken the first step in learning
more about deafness. When you
register for sign language class, you will
enhance your ability to communicate
with individuals of all ages who have
hearing losses. You will also understand
the challenges they face living
in a hearing world.**

- Classes are free. A text book is required for the class (see inside for details).
- Open to anyone interested in learning sign language/more about deafness.
- Classes were developed specifically for families of deaf and hard-of-hearing children and class structure continues to emphasize communication in the home.
- Sessions are held via the Iowa Communications Network (available only in Iowa).
- Tangible information for immediate use is presented.
- Registration is required.
- You may register for sign class online! Visit www.iowaschoolforthe deaf.org.



3501 Harry Langdon Boulevard
Council Bluffs, IA 51503
www.iowaschoolforthe deaf.org

Fall 2013 Sign Language
registration inside!



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Iowa Lions Foundation

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**Spring, 2014 classes and the Topics About Deafness series to be announced.*

Learning sign language may be one of the most rewarding classes you will take. You will learn sign language has myriad applications in daily life!

Signs taught are conceptual in nature. Space, facial and body expressions and sign classifiers are used in each class. Various sign methodologies, as well as American Sign Language (ASL) are explained.

Class content is identical. Choose the time that works best for you.

Early Evening Sign Language (Class A)
Thursdays • 6 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Oct. 10 – Dec. 12
(8 sessions)

or

Night Sign Language (Class B)
Thursdays • 7:30 - 8:45 p.m.
Oct. 10 – Dec. 12
(8 sessions)

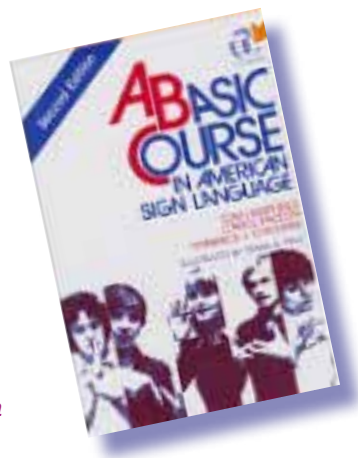
No class Oct. 31 or Nov. 28.

Tina Murdoch, Fall instructor
Tina holds a bachelor's degree in deaf education and an associate's degree in sign language interpreting. She has taught sign language for many years and deaf children for more than 30 years. She is an elementary teacher at Iowa School for the Deaf.



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spring classes and the
Topics About Deafness series.**

Required Book:
**A Basic Course
in American Sign
Language**
by Padden,
Humphries and
O'Rourke.
ISBN 0932666426
*Available from a
variety of online
vendors. Any edition
is acceptable.*



Classes are held via the Iowa Communications Network, a state-wide fiberoptic system which enables students and the instructor to interact live with all locations. Interaction occurs via a television monitor in each ICN room.

Because sign language is three-dimensional, you need a partner during class. For this reason, ICN sites are reserved when at least 4 or 5 registrations are received for the same site. Special consideration will be made for family members who have deaf children. Encourage your family, friends and co-workers to register!

See directions for selecting an ICN site on the other side of brochure. Conflicts for the ICN sites you request may arise, as the system is used for a variety of classes. List your top three choices for a site on the registration form.

Questions?

No telephone registrations accepted.
Please direct your questions about the class to
Cindy Schrum at 712.366.0571 or
cschrum@iowaschoolforthe deaf.org

This class is not eligible for continuing education credits.



Read Before First Class!

To move the class along, please reserve your questions for the last 15 minutes of class.

If your ICN site is experiencing technical difficulties, it is *your* responsibility to contact ICN and resolve the problem. Please do not interrupt the instructor to report the problem. A direction sheet on ICN use and troubleshooting is inside of this brochure.

Each week, ICN sites are required to "report in" with the number of students attending. Sites not reporting in are canceled. Please report this information to sign class coordinator Cindy Schrum: cschrum@iowaschoolforthe deaf.org.

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Weather or Not

If there is inclement weather at the Council Bluffs origination site, or class must be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, this information will be on a voice recording at 712.366.3210.

Registration Form

Skip this form.
Register by visiting the ISD website:
www.iowaschoolforthe deaf.org.
Registrations must be received by Sept. 6, 2013.

OR

Mail this registration
(ISD must receive by Sept. 6) to:
Cindy Schrum • Iowa School for the Deaf
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Council Bluffs, IA 51503

I am registering for the following classes:

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Thursdays, 6 - 7:15 p.m. (8 sessions)
- ☐ **Night Sign Language (Class B)**
Thursdays, 7:30 - 8:45 p.m. (8 sessions)

Name *Please print*

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone number you prefer we use

AEA region in which you reside (if known)

E-mail address

To help us structure class content, will you use sign language:

- ☐ With a deaf or hard-of-hearing child under the age of 4
- ☐ With a deaf or hard-of-hearing child who is 4 to 18 years old
- ☐ At your workplace with a deaf coworker or deaf clients
- ☐ At church or other social situations
- ☐ Other _____

FIND AN ICN SITE: Click **HERE** to visit the website www.icn.iowa.gov. Click on Customer Focused along the top in blue, Resources, then ICN/IDL classrooms under Resources. An Iowa map will appear. Double click the region in which you live to choose locations convenient to your work or home.

ICN Site preferences (city and building)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Thank you for registering!
You will be contacted via e-mail at least one week prior to class to learn of your ICN site assignment.

Using the ICN

Powering Up The ICN



1. Turn on all on/off switches (there will be one or two of them). They are located in the knee space of the teacher's desk or on the wall in front of the room.

2. Turn on the televisions.

3. Sessions automatically begin and end. When the bouncing ICN logos disappear, the session has begun. When they reappear, the session has ended.

Volume



Incoming audio may be adjusted through the rheostat knob (circle with numbers around it). This knob is in the knee space of the teacher's desk or on a television monitor pedestal. "5" is an optimum volume level.

Microphone Use



1. Face the front camera. Press lever to activate microphone and speak 12-18" away from the microphone.

2. Announce your name and location, release lever and wait to be recognized.

3. Before asking question/making comment, wait a few seconds. **RELEASE LEVER WHEN FINISHED.**

Troubleshooting

Each ICN room has a telephone which connects directly to the ICN help line. **When experiencing video or audio problems, dial 242-3182** (TTY users need 515 area code). ICN will suggest actions to fix the problem or will try from their remote site.